

Texas Exports to Australia



Texas's export shipments of merchandise to Australia rebounded in 2003, totaling \$749 million—up 5 percent from 2002, but still below the 2000 value of \$798 million.

The upswing in Texas's exports to Australia in 2003 placed the state fourth nationally in the value of shipments to this market. Among the states, only Washington, California, and Illinois exported more merchandise to Australia in 2003.

During 2002–2003, Texas's exports of goods to Australia increased by \$36 million, the seventh largest dollar gain among the states.

Australia was Texas's 21st largest export market in 2003, ranking just behind Italy and ahead of Turkey.

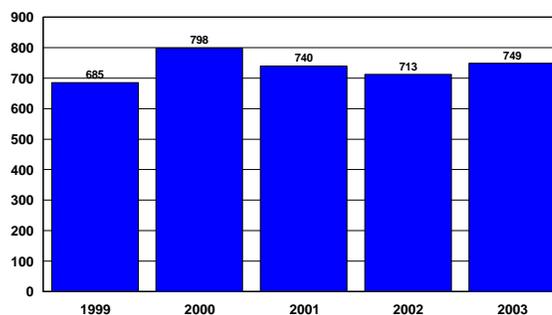
The overwhelming majority—97 percent—of Texas's exports to Australia consists of manufactured products.

The state's top export category to Australia, by far, has consistently been chemical manufactures. In 2003, Texas exported chemical products to Australia valued at \$231 million, or about 31 percent of the state's total exports to this market (including non-manufactures). Within the chemicals category, basic chemicals led in 2003, recording shipments of \$131 million.

Texas's other leading exports to Australia in 2003 included machinery manufactures (\$144 million, of which \$79 million was agricultural

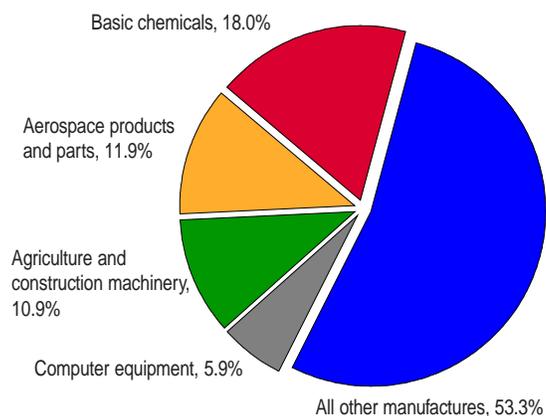
Texas's Exports to Australia Were 9 Percent Higher in 2003 Than in 1999

Merchandise Exports to Australia, \$ Millions



Texas Exported \$729 Million in Manufactured Goods to Australia in 2003

Basic Chemicals Were Largest Export Category



Note: Manufactures are a subcategory of total merchandise exports, which also include mining commodities and unprocessed agricultural products.

Source: Origin of Movement Series, Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. The Origin of Movement (OM) series allocates exports to states based on transportation origin, i.e., the state from which goods begin their journey to the port (or other point of exit) from the United States. The transportation origin of exports is not always the same as the location where the goods were produced. Thus, conclusions about "export production" in a state should not be made solely on the basis of the Origin of Movement state export figures.

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and construction machinery), computers and electronic products (\$112 million, of which \$43 million was computer equipment), and transportation equipment (\$110 million, of which \$87 million consisted of aerospace products and parts).



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The upturn in the state's exports to Australia from 2002 to 2003 was due mainly to a rebound in the sectors highlighted above. Shipments of transport equipment grew by \$45 million, followed by machinery manufactures (up \$14 million) and chemical manufactures (up \$12 million).

Australia Was Texas's 21st Largest Market for Merchandise Exports in 2003

Value of Texas's Merchandise Exports to Its 30 Largest Markets

